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FISH RECEIPTS AT BOSTON.

Liberal Fares of Everything Except Mackerel.

Another day of liberal receipts of all kinds of ground fish at Boston for a large number of vessels have arrived since last report and prices are at a minimum in consequence.

Indeed this is the dull season at this great fish mart and present conditions are only in line with what has been seen upon similar occasions at the heated season. Then for the last eight or nine days the market has been over supplied and a portion of the production had to be taken to Gloucester for distribution among the splitters.

Owing to a shortage of salt fish the producers find no difficulty in disposing of their catch at a fair value.

The securing of a good supply of bait without having to wait several days as they did earlier in the season, is all in favor of the fishermen, for it kept them employed. This is why so many vessels are daily arriving with good fares.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 8000 cod.
Sch. Manomet, 1000 haddock, 28,000 cod.
Sch. Athena, 1500 haddock, 21,000 cod.
Sch. Washakie, 40,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.
Sch. Alcina, 24,000 haddock, 22,000 cod.
Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., 15,000 cod.
Sch. Mina Swim, 11,000 cod.
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 22,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 10,000 hake.
Sch. Robert and Arthur, 30,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 6000 hake.
Sch. Maggie and Arthur, 8000 haddock, 18,000 cod.
Sch. Rose Cabral, 3000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 14,000 pollock.
Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 24,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 18,000 hake.
Sloop Nettie, 25,000 pollock.
Sloop Emerald, 30,000 hake.
Sch. Eva Avina, 1500 cod, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Pontiac, 16 bbls. salt mackerel.
Sch. Florida, 50 swordfish.
Sch. Leah C., 6 swordfish.
Sch. Lillian, no fish.
Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50; large cod, \$2 to \$2.50; market cod, \$1.75 to \$1.85; hake, \$1 to \$1.50; pollock, \$1.75; swordfish, 15c per lb.

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GREAT LAKES FISHERIES.

Question of Including Saginaw Bay in Treaty Regulations.

A Washington despatch says that the appeals of Senator Smith, of Michigan against including Saginaw bay in the treaty regulations respecting the Great Lakes fisheries may not avail against the persistence of the Canadian Commission, Prof. Prince, seems to be the case. International dickering has now been going on for over two years, although the treaty itself, once accepted, will only run for 10 years. Prof. David Starr Jordan, the United States commissioner, is likely to yield to the insistent demands of the Canadians for uniform closed seasons. The policy which the various states adjacent to the Great Lakes have held heretofore, has been one of artificial propagation entirely. Canada spent a modest amount on fish propagation, but depended more on close seasons. The new regulations when promulgated will embody the best points of both policies, it now seems.

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Good Lobster Fishing.

The American smack J. R. Atwood of Portland made a good trip catching lobsters this spring on the Seal Island grounds. The crew shared \$110 each in two weeks. There were no lobsters on that particular spot the preceding season, as reported by the shore boats, after a thorough trial. The Atwood and Pride of the Port are now fishing on Cashes, and doing well at it.

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SWORDFISH PRICE RAISED.

Other Fish in Less Demand at T Wharf.

Receipts of fish at Boston today are rather light, although a number of vessels have arrived, but their fares are small. The desirable cod and haddock are scarce and prices are high, having reached that of a short time ago.

Two trips of swordfish have 42 each and the price of this commodity has advanced two cents over that of yesterday.

For the next few days the receipts of fish will be light, as a large fleet have been in every day for a week, so that their return may not be expected before first of next week.

Two trips of blueback herring are at Boston today which are suitable for bait and are being taken by the shore fishermen at \$2.25 per barrel.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Eliza A. Benner, 22 swordfish.
Sch. Bernie and Bessie, 42 swordfish.
Sch. Georgiana, 10,000 pollock.
Sch. Margaret Dillon, 2000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Philomina, 200 bbls. fresh bluebacks.
Sch. Grace, 1000 cod, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Harmony, 3000 haddock, 40,000 cod, 35,000 hake.
Sch. Jessie Costa, 3000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 16,000 pollock.
Sch. Louise R. Sylva, 2500 haddock, 25,000 cod, 20,000 pollock.
Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 6000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 7000 pollock.
Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 15,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 8000 hake, 5000 pollock.
Sch. William A. Morse, 3000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 14,000 pollock.
Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 17,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 12,000 hake.
Sch. Flayilla, 2000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 50,000 hake, 10,000 cusk.
Haddock, \$3 to \$4.25; large cod, \$3 to \$4; market cod, \$1.80 to \$2.30; hake, \$1.50 to \$2; pollock, \$1.50 to \$2; swordfish, \$16 to \$16.80.

Nova Scotia Fishing Notes.

The mackerel fishery at Peggy's Point the past week has been fairly good, boats averaging daily from 60 to 100 fish and with the good prices prevailing of 12 cents for large mackerel and 8 cents for medium have kept things moving nicely. The salmon season has closed, nets all hauled up. The off-shore cod and haddock fishery continues good and with squid for bait the fishermen expect to do even better than they have been doing. The July herring have not made their appearance as yet but are expected at any time.

The past week's fishing at Ingonish was practically stopped by the scarcity of bait and the numerous dogfish along the coast. All traps near this station are being hauled ashore and this class or method of fishing is over for this season. It has been a banner year for the fishermen. Eight traps that were operated in this vicinity caught somewhere about 6000 quintals of haddock.

There is good fair-fishing at Port LaTour, 15 to 20 miles off shore in from 60 to 70 fathoms of water; but none but the large boats go there as it takes too long to go and come. When on the grounds enough squid is found to make use of; while on the in-shore grounds there is poor doings, as the fish do not like clam bait this season of the year and there is no other bait fish to be had. Notwithstanding all this there has been more codfish taken at this station this week than any week of the season. It is the opinion of a few of the fishermen that a very large number who follow the sea for a living do much damage to the fishing grounds as they sell their fish with the heads off. They begin to dress their catch when they start from the grounds and the garbage or offal that they throw overboard is not good for the fisheries as the ground must be covered all the way with what is thrown over.

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MACKEREL MAY HAVE LEFT COAST.

Prospect For Further Catch Very Discouraging.

The mackerel fishery continues in the same deplorable condition, for there is no news favorable coming from any source. It looks now as if there would be but few more mackerel taken on this coast this season, as the seiners arriving will discontinue this fishing although some few of them will go to North bay.

The few small schools seen on the Rips are wild and impossible to catch.

To summarize the situation it now seems that what few mackerel are on Nantucket sound and in that section will have left these waters early in August. This is on a line with the situation which has prevailed the last three or four years, when the mackerel did not come this side of Cape Cod, and left early for their southern haunt.

The Canadian Fish Bureau report a few mackerel being taken at several places in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, but it is to be borne in mind that no fishing of any account is carried on at this time by the provincialist down there, as it is the haying season when every one is busy on the farm, so it would be hard to tell if there were any fish off that coast. But that is the place for American seiners and not here.

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HANDLINERS MAKE GOOD STOCKS

Sch. Ella M. Goodwin Holds Leading Position in Fleet.

Sch. Ella M. Goodwin, Capt. James D. Goodwin, from a dory handlining trip, weighed off 242,040 pounds of cod and stocked \$8379.73. This makes Capt. Goodwin highline of the handliners today, both on the amount of fish and stock realized.

Sch. Avalon, Capt. Lewis Wharton, from a similar trip, had a fine trip of 235,000 pounds of salt cod, from which a stock of \$7636.25 was realized. This is the second best trip made in this fishing this season.

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Newfoundland Fish Notes.

Codfish continues plentiful at Middle Cove, Outer Cove and vicinity and good catches are taken daily. A quantity of new fish is now ready at these places to be brought in here as soon as the weather becomes fine.

The bankers Huron of Old Perlican, and Blanche Forsey, owned by Samuel Harris, arrived in from the Grand Banks, St. John's. The former had been fishing only a few days and has 100 qtls. and the Forsey has 500 qtls., and 1000 qtls. landed. Both were using caplin bait, but decided to come on here for squid, which have now struck in here. The vessel will bait at St. John's and sail again as soon as possible to complete the trips.

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Finding Good Fishing.

The banking schooner Uda A. Saunders, Capt. Scott Corkum of Lunenburg, N. S., arrived at St. John, N. F., yesterday morning from the banks for a supply of salt and squid bait. The Saunders, which has been fishing on the Eastern Shoals near the Virgin Rocks, has 1600 quintals of cod on board for six weeks fishing, and having landed 1000 qtls. on her spring trip, has now 2600 qtls. in all.

Will Fit for Shacking.

Sch. Lucania, Capt. Martin Welch, which has been seining will now withdraw from this branch of the fishing, and fit out for shack fishing.

It is also understood that sch. Elmer E. Gray, another of the seining fleet, will fit out for shack fishing.

Sch. Edith M. Prior of the seining fleet will now fit for shack fishing under command of Capt. Elroy Prior.

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NO FISH FARES IN PORT TODAY.

Arrivals Confined to a Few Vessels From Boston.

Today is another dull day among the fish producers, there having been no arrivals the past 24 hours.

A number of vessels of the shack and dory handliners are due, and liable to arrive at any time, but the non-appearance of the latter is evident that they are finding fish scarce, or they would have been home before this time, in order to refit for a second trip.

The shore boats as usual are taking but few fish which is sold for immediate use.

The pollock seiners have discontinued this fishing for the prolific schools early in the season, seem to have abandoned this section and will probably not be seen again before October.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Emerald, via Boston.
Sch. Mina Swim, via Boston.
Sch. Boyd and Leeds, via Boston.
Sch. Eva Avina, via Boston.
Sch. Minerva, shore.
Sch. Rebecca Bartlett, Maine ports,
130,000 lbs. cured fish.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Metamora, haddocking.
Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, shacking.
Sch. Avalon, dory handlining.
Sch. Monarch, seining.
Sch. Ralph Russell, drifting.

Today's Fish Market.

Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.

Large salt handline Georges cod, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.

Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.

Round pollock, 70c per cwt.

Outside sales dory handline bank cod, \$3.65 per qtl. for large and \$3.37½ for medium.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$2.25 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.80; Eastern cod, large, \$1.75; medium cod, \$1.60; cusk \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, \$1; hake, \$1; pollock, round, 65c; dressed, 70c.

May Start Halibut Business at Bay of Islands.

Capt. Frank Forward of Ligan, C. B., managing director of the Fresh Fish Company at Burgeo, spent several days at Bay of Islands, N. F., studying conditions with a view of opening a similar business in that neighborhood next spring. He travelled all round the Peninsular interviewing the fishermen with a view of engaging them to fish halibut for his company next year. He considers that there is a promising field here for such a venture and expects to be on the ground early next season.

Now Employed in Buying Fish.

Sch. Rebecca Bartlett, at one time a crack fishing vessel sailing out of this port, looks today as about a thing of the past. Instead of being one of the crack Georgesman of North Bay hook and line mackerel fisherman, as she was in her early career, she is now converted into a trading craft, and is engaged along the Maine coast buying fish for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, and is now landing 135,000 pounds of salt mixed fish at the wharf of this celebrated concern.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Moaniam arrived at Liverpool for bait and ice on Saturday and cleared for fishing.

Schs. Monitor and Flora S. Nickerson arrived at Canso on Saturday, and sch. Esperanto sailed from there on the same date.

Sch. Blanche of this port, Capt. Goodwin, put into Louisburg, C. B., from Quero Bank on Saturday. This is the vessel from which James Lebruk and John Mense got astray in the early part of June, while fishing on Quero, and after four days of fatigue and hunger landed at Little Lorraine.

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SOME MAY GO TO NORTH BAY.

Seiners Abandoning Shore Mackerel Fishery.

A special to the Times from Newport, R. I., today reports the arrival at that port of sch. Clara T., with 1200 mackerel, and sch. Alice with 7600 small mackerel. The prospects are reported excellent for small boats with seines. The price paid today was 10 cents.

This is the first news received from Newport for a considerable time and shows a change in conditions that have prevailed out there the past two months.

Sch. Pontiac will go out again, as Capt. Nickerson thinks there will be something doing yet. He reported numerous schools of mackerel on the Rips, but hard to catch.

Schs. Premier and Diana will now fit out for North bay, and probably a few others, if they can obtain a crew. The outlook for a good trip down there is most favorable and there is plenty of time in which to make it.

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TWO DORY HANDLINE TRIPS.

Sch. Elector Weighed Out 153,000 Lbs. and Sch. Madonna 138,000 Lbs.

Capt. Daniel Ryder, in sch. Elector, from a dory handline trip, weighed off 153,000 pounds of salt cod and stocked \$5100. This is \$200 better than Capt. Ryder's first and similar trip last year. It is just a year ago yesterday when he sailed on his second trip and he arrived early in the fall with a full fare of 250,000 pounds, and he believes that the chance is fully as good at the present time to duplicate that of last year.

Sch. Madonna, Capt. Firth, loaded 138,000 pounds of salt cod, and is now fitting out for a second dory handline trip.

Sch. Ella M. Goodwin, Capt. James D. Goodwin, that has just completed a successful dory handline trip, is now fitting out for a second voyage.

Sch. Avalon, Capt. Lewis Wharton, sailed yesterday on a second dory handline trip. These two skippers were high line in this fishing on their first trips, which they have just completed.

Changed Their Voyages.

Sch. Catherine C. Burke has withdrawn from seining and is now being fitted out for shack fishing under command of Capt. Joshua Stanley.

Sch. Rex has also been fitted for shack fishing under command of Capt. John Grady.

Sch. Clontonia has also been withdrawn from mackerel seining and will now be fitted out for a dory handline trip, under command of Capt. Ralph Webber.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Onato and Senator Gardner arrived at Liverpool, N. S., for bait and ice Monday last, and cleared for the fishing ground.

Sch. T. M. Nicholson of Bucksport arrived at Lunenburg on Monday last.

Sch. Princess Arrived.

The old familiar Nova Scotia coaster Princess, Capt. John Ryan, which has been running to this port for many years, arrived here yesterday afternoon with lumber and wharf material for Davis Bros. and wood for other local parties.

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BOSTON PRICES MAKE ADVANCE.

Although Fish Is in Liberal Receipt.

Although the receipts of fish at Boston today are quite liberal, prices for cod and some other fish have reached one of the highest prices paid this season. Haddock appears to have the call and is quoted at \$5 to \$5.75 per cwt., and cod and other ground fish in proportion. These are extremely high prices for July, especially after such a large quantity of fish has been landed the past week, indeed it is predicted in some quarters prices will go higher, before the close of the week, and that next week may also see a very firm market.

A number of the drift handline fishermen are at Boston, and have good catches of fresh cod, which are being profitably marketed there. Heretofore the drift fishermen at this season brought their fares in salted, which were marketed here, but they are gradually running their fish fresh to market and disposing of them for immediate consumption.

Bait is quite plentiful, so that the vessels can keep employed and not lose several days in hunting for a supply, as they did earlier in the season.

One swordfisherman at Boston today with 50 fish which sold at 16 cents per pound, but the catch of this commodity does not equal to date that of last year.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Galatea, 14,000 cod.
Sch. James and Esther 12,000 cod.
Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 5000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 5000 hake.
Sch. Nettie Franklin, 4000 haddock, 24,000 cod.
Sch. Grace Darling, 40,000 cod.
Sch. Genesta, 3300 haddock, 7500 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Mattakesett, 3000 haddock, 4000 cod.
Sch. Marion, 6000 pollock.
Sch. Ignatius Enos, 2000 cod, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Olivia Sears, 2300 cod, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Rose Standish, 41 swordfish.
Sch. Harvester, 7000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 3000 hake, 9000 pollock.
Sch. Matiana, 8000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
Haddock, \$5 to 5.75; large cod, \$2.25 to \$3.50; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2.50; pollock, \$1 to 1.25; swordfish, 16 cts. per lb.

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Shark on Exhibition.

At the store of Freeman & Cobb on T wharf, Boston, yesterday there was a curiosity, rare particularly on account of the manner in which it was caught. It was a shovelnose shark of large size, with a mouth that would easily take in a good-sized child. The shark, which was caught in a trap at Chatham, was about 10 feet long, and when taken about four feet in circumference below the head. The peculiar shaped head and the small eyes set away over on the sides, gave it a strange look, and made it an object of curiosity to visitors, many of whom took snapshots of it with their tourist cameras.

Smaller sharks are making life miserable and fishing almost profitless for the vessels that go to Jeffries bank. The sharks abound there and seize fish from the lines. Sch. Georgiana II., which came in this morning with a trip of pollock from Jeffries, had considerable trouble with these sharks, and the crew brought in a half dozen averaging six feet in length, to show what they had to contend with while fishing.